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SUBJ: COMMITTEE OF 24 (C-24) CONSIDERATION OF
MILITARY BASES ON GUAM

REF: STATE 169482

1. EMBOFF PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL ON JULY 26 DISCUSSED
COMMITTEE
OF 24 DRAFT CONSENSUS ON MILITARY BASES
IN DETAIL WITH VINAY VERMA, DIRECTOR, UN DIVISION,
MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS. VERMA INITIALLY STATED
THAT EMBOFF WAS AWARE THAT NON-ALIGNED HAD CONSISTENTLY
TAKEN POSITION AGAINST MILITARY BASES IN NON-SELF-
GOVERNING TERRITORIES AND ASKED WHAT INDIA'S POSITION
HAD BEEN IN FOURTH COMMITTEE LAST YEAR ON ISSUE.
REMINDED THAT INDIA HAD VOTED FOR A NUMBER OF RESOLU-
TIONS TO WHICH WE OBJECTED, VERMA THEN CHECKED THE
RECORD ON THE GUAM VOTE AND COMMENTED THAT A SIGNI-
FICANT NUMBER OF NON-ALIGNED HAD ABSTAINED. VERMA ALSO
NOTED THAT LANGUAGE IN LAST YEAR'S RESOLUTION HAD BEEN
HARSH AND SAID THAT THE GOI SAW NOTHING TO BE GAINED
FROM CONFRONTATIONAL ATTITUDES AND SUCH LANGUAGE. HE
CAUTIONED HOWEVER, THAT THE USG COULD NOT EXPECT THAT
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THERE WOULD BE NO REFERENCES TO SUCH BASES GIVEN THE
PAST NON-ALIGNED AND UN RECORD. VERMA ASKED IF USG
HAD "ANYONE" IN C-24 WHO WOULD WORK TO MODIFY THE
LANGUAGE. EMBOFF SAID THAT THERE WERE INDICATIONS
THAT SOME REPRESENTATIVES MIGHT OBJECT TO DRAFT CONSENSUS.

2. VERMA SAID THAT HE WOULD CONSULT WITH THE

AMERICAS DIVISION OF THE MEA. HE ALSO SUGGESTED THAT
USUN DISCUSS THE ISSUE WITH THE INDIAN MISSION WHICH
HE SAID HAD CONSIDERABLE LATITUDE ON MANY ISSUES. VERMA
REPEATED THE VIEW THAT INDIA WOULD WISH TO AVOID A
CONFRONTATIONAL SITUATION.
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